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Food and Drug Administration
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Rockville, MD. 20852

Dear Dockets Mgmt. Branch (HFA-305) and FDA,

I am writing in regards to the regulations requiring irradiated food to be labeled as such. As a health conscious and environmentally aware consumer, I have no desire to purchase or support irradiation, let alone eat irradiated food. As a consumer, and as a U.S. citizen, I have the right to know what has been done to my food.

Therefore, I support the prominent labeling of irradiated foods. I believe the FDA should require that all food, packaged or fresh, that has been irradiated include both a logo for irradiation and an appropriate statement such as "Treated by Irradiation."

These labels should not be kept hidden in the list of ingredients, but rather prominently displayed. It is the choice of every consumer whether or not they choose to purchase and eat irradiated products. Please allow us that choice.

Regards,

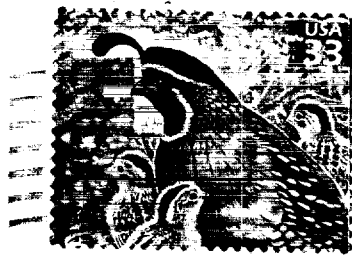


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